

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

January 1, 2001 – March 31, 2001

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material which treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period April 1, 2000 – June 30, 2000, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE AND TEN AM, FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN PM. TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 5:00-7:00AM, 10:00- 11:00 AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:30PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday. NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:00-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. (News 4 on Sunday was expanded to 10:30AM as of Sunday, August 6, 1995.) DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. **Stories generally appear more than once in the daily newscasts, as they are recapped throughout the day.** WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV reporter Tom Sherwood. He is joined by journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM.
DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992.

I. TAKING CARE OF OUR CHILDREN and FAMILY

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

Jan (1/3, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31)

Feb (2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28)

Mar (3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28)

NEWS 4 January 1 – a little girl, named Jamie Sutton, was the first baby born in Maryland this year.

NEWS 4 January 2 – report on search for missing teenager in Montgomery County.

NEWS 4 January 3 – a four year old girl in Missouri crawled out of her mother's overturned truck and got help by walking to her grandmother's house in ice and snow.

NEWS 4 January 10 – Four children from Walker Jones Elementary School in NW joined the Mayor today for a tour of the Panda house.

NEWS 4 January 10 – millions of Americans are taking care of their aging parents while still raising their children, causing a "sandwich generation".

NEWS 4 January 16 – Eastern High School beat out hundreds of other applicants to participate in the Presidential Inauguration parade.

NEWS 4 January 17 – 14 students that had been promised to have their college tuition paid by the a foundation that couldn't follow through on its promise got an offer of help from Saint Mary's College

NEWS 4 January 17 – Wednesday's child segment

NEWS 4 January 22 – thousands of students attended today's youth rallies in NW

NEWS 4 January 23 – there are concerns that children in a day care center in the District may have been exposed to arsenic.

News 4 February 6 – new study shows trend in television programs featuring teenagers: they are more likely than others to emphasize the risks and responsibilities of sexual activity.

NEWS 4 February 22 – there is a new rock band making it big, and it's young members are from our area

NEWS 4 February 26 – news coverage of the Orange Festival

NEWS 4 February 28– Wednesday's Child segment

NEWS 4 February 28 – report on peer pressure

II. POLITICAL ISSUES

WRC-TV covers the activities of federal, state and local governments, and other regional organizations in a number of its programs, some of which are described below.

News 4 January 16 – tying in with the upcoming Inauguration, Sotheby's auction house is having a sale on presidential memorabilia; report on presidential perks

News 4 January 16 – President Clinton awarded today two posthumous Medals of Honor, one to an African-American Civil War soldier, the other to former President Teddy Roosevelt.

News 4 January 17 – report on Inauguration music and festivities

News 4 January 17 – G. Gordon Liddy is in MD civil court this week defending himself in a Watergate-related defamation lawsuit

News 4 January 17 – MD Governor Glendening delivered his State of the State address today.

News 4 January 18 – President Clinton gets ready for tonight's farewell address to the nation.

News 4 January 18 – VA Governor Gilmore was elected as the new RNC Chairman; confirmation hearing of Attorney General-designate John Ashcroft.

News 4 January 19 – Future First Lady Barbara Bush plans to promote children's literacy during her time in White House.

News 4 January 19 – National GOP Leader Tom Davis was the keynote speaker at the Republican Coalition for Unity.

News 4 January 19 – President Clinton will not be indicted on charges of perjury or obstruction of justice.

News 4 January 22 – President Bush tackled the issue of abortion by issuing an order to stop federal funding to international family planning groups that offer abortions; thousands of abortion protesters were on the Mall taking place in an annual event called “The March for Life”

News 4 January 23 – Michael Powell is President Bush’s choice for head of the FCC.

News 4 January 23, February 8- report on confirmation vote for John Ashcroft as Attorney General.

News 4 January 24 – Georgia lawmakers have approved a compromise version of the state flag.

News 4 January 26 – Secretary of State Colin Powell was officially sworn in this morning.

News 4 January 29 – the House of Delegates passed a bill today that would require public schools to display the phrase “In God we Trust”.

News 4 January 30 – President Bush continues to press his faith initiative by visiting the Fishing School.

News 4 February 2 – today marks the 200th anniversary of the first time DC voters formally petitioned Congress for representation there.

News 4 February 2 – Montgomery County billboard ban battle is final – no more billboards.

News 4 February 5 – the “informed consent” abortion bill went before the Virginia Senate today.

News 4 February 5, 6- Israeli elections held; Prime Minister Barak conceded defeat.

News 4 February 6 – small business owners were the target audience for President Bush as he continued to push for his tax cut proposal.

News 4 February 6 – two private groups are bidding to take over DC General Hospital.

News 4 February 7- White House Press briefing on incident that took place outside the White House.

News 4 February 8, 22, 27, 28 – former Federal prosecutors say they had a strong case against fugitive financier Marc Rich, who was pardoned by Clinton.

News 4 February 8 – today, Mayor Williams moved to fill two key posts in his administration.

News 4 February 8 – President Bush sent his tax-cutting proposal to Congress today

News 4 February 22 – Senator Hillary Clinton is responding today to the latest controversy surrounding some of her husband’s last minute pardons.

News 4 February 22 – President Bush holds his first news conference

News 4 February 26 – a media-sponsored recount of some ballots in Florida suggests that former VP Al Gore did not have the votes to win the state.

News 4 February 26 – American graduate student arrested on drug charges in Russia is now accused of being a spy.

News 4 February 27 – report on controversy over \$100 million gift for a Mayor's mansion

News 4 February 26, 27 – Mayor Williams says his office has raised about one million dollars in private funds and never intended to violate any ethics laws doing so; official investigation on-going.

News 4 February 28 – news report on local budget impact

News 4 March 1 – report on deadly attack in Israel today by Palestinian militant.

News 4 March 19, 20 – news coverage of California's power outage.

News 4 March 20 – controversy over American investment banker who gave Russians \$20 million dollars for in return for a round trip to the International Space Station next month. NASA says no tourists.

III. HEALTH

WRC-TV covers issues related to health care, maintaining and improving health, and health-related breakthroughs.

News 4 February 6 – report on how to avoid germs; AIDS campaign plans announced

News 4 February 6 – a bill that would require women in Virginia to wait a full day before having an abortion is a step closer to becoming law

News 4 February 9 – Oxycontin, a drug designed to help those in chronic pain, is now being used illegally.

News 4 February 12 – scientists have nearly finished mapping the human genome.

News 4 February 12 – new help for children who suffer from ear infections – there is a new vaccine.

News 4 February 13 – report on MedStar Helicopter

News 4 February 13 – new report says a diet rich in fruits and vegetables does not prevent breast cancer.

News 4 February 14- new laser device makes cataract surgery safer and faster; morning-after pill regulation debate.

News 4 February 15 – news coverage of Medicare reform hearing.

News 4 February 15 – story on bone marrow donations

News 4 February 19 – the Eight annual NBC4 Health and Fitness Expo attracted almost 65 thousand visitors over the weekend.

News 4 February 19 – new study shows there may be a relationship between drinking unfiltered coffee and high cholesterol levels.

News 4 February 20 – report on cervical cancer study and new test

News 4 February 21 - report on women and heart disease.

News 4 February 23 – Sister to Sister Foundation held their “Everyone has a Heart” day at the MCI Center.

News 4 February 26 – update on a story about a new cancer vaccine that was being tested in our area.

News 4 February 26 – scientists announced today that for the first time, gene therapy has been used to prevent cancer in mice.

News 4 February 27 – report on children and sleep; report on depression; report on prostate cancer

News 4 February 28 – a study out this week looks at a new drug that dramatically cuts the risk of blood clots after surgery.

News 4 March 20 – report on new development in Great Britain’s battle with foot and mouth disease.

IV. VIOLENCE/CRIME

WRC-TV regularly covers issues related to crime, crime prevention, and anti-violence activities.

News 4 January 1 – Prince George County had a violent start to the New Year; District’s homicide rate is down.

News 4 January 2 – the Board of Supervisors in Loudoun County is reviewing a report recommending hunting restrictions.

News 4 January 2, 3, 11 – a vigil was held by family and friends of Jerod Jackson; arrests in the case have been made

News 4 January 4 – two men are charged in the murder case of two Wilson High School students.

News 4 January 5 – two Montgomery County police officers involved in a shootout that killed a man in Bethesda will not face charges

News 4 January 8 – news coverage of “K Street Crew” gang trial

News 4 January 9 – a court of appeals today drastically reduced a \$98 million judgement against the District in the case that came out of the Starbucks triple murder investigation.

News 4 January 9 - police in Arlington VA are offering a reward for info on 7-11 robbery.

News 4 January 11, 16 – Federal officials have set an execution date for convicted Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh

News 4 January 15, 16 – update on murder trial of NFL football player Ray Carruth.

News 4 January 16 – police department is ready for any problems that arise on Inauguration.

News 4 January 16 – a former pastor of a local church has pleaded guilty to distribution of a controlled substance

News 4 February 6 – police in the District are trying to find out how the remains of an infant ended up in the attic of a home in NW

News 4 February 6 – man from Temple Hills is facing first degree murder charges tonight on the shooting death of a cab driver

News 4 February 7 – OJ Simpson was booked on an assault charge stemming from a road rage incident in Miami.

News 4 February 7, 14 – Federal prosecutors filed charges against Robert Pickett, the man who was shot outside the White House. Pickett was placed on suicide watch; he has a history of mental illness.

News 4 February 9 – convicted killer of Bill Cosby's son has withdrawn his appeal; report on problem with process used to identify parole violators.

News 4 February 12 – police identified body of woman found in a Fairfax County park

News 4 February 13 – it has been decided by a unanimous vote that there will not be armed police officers in Montgomery County schools

News 4 February 14, 15, 26 – arrest has been made in Gallaudet double murder, suspect will remain in jail until his Nov trial

News 4 February 14 – argument between a youth basketball referee and a coach last night wound up with the ref allegedly attacking the coach with a knife.

News 4 February 14 – police are still looking for the person who killed three women in Prince William County, VA

News 4 February 15 – man wrongly convicted of murder met with lawmakers in VA tonight

News 4 February 15 – trial for man charged with killing a Catholic priest in Germantown has been delayed

News 4 February 16 – viewing will be held tonight for a police officer killed in the line of fire.

News 4 February 19, 20 – one of two teens charged in the murders of two Dartmouth professors will not fight extradition to New Hampshire.

News 4 February 20 – the Ramseys are back in the news, this time as victims of a burglary attempt

News 4 February 20, 21 – follow up on FBI work to determine how much damage was done by local agent Robert Hanssen, accused of spying for the Russians; Attorney General Ashcroft wants a review of the FBI's internal security procedures.

News 4 February 21 – report on very dangerous PCP/Ecstasy pill called Pikachus

News 4 February 21- a witness in Sean “Puffy” Combs trial is in custody in PG County; update on the Eisenberg case.

News 4 February 21 – task force on PG County police brutality findings were presented to County Executive Wayne Curry.

News 4 February 23 – the two men are charged in the murder case of two Wilson High School students have been found guilty of first degree murder.

News 4 February 26 – follow up on story about mother accused of attacking her three young daughters

News 4 February 27 – report on identity theft

News 4 February 27 – District police have charged a man they say ran over a pedestrian and killed him.

News 4 February 28 – a Montgomery County teacher is facing charges that he sexually abused one of his students.

News 4 February 28 – Mardi Gras celebration got out of hand in Philadelphia, PA; report on driving record of woman who is charged with the hit and run death of a five year old boy.

News 4 March 1 – DC police are conducting survey on how to get a handle on how police officers deal with victims of crimes and their families.

News 4 March 1 – former lawyer who admitted to the hit and run death of a teenage girl is in jail tonight.

News 4 March 1 – police stand off that prevented school children from returning to a Hybla Valley apt complex is over.

News 4 March 20 – NY authorities say they have arrested an Internet thief

V. CONSUMER

WRC-TV airs daily segments on issues of interest to consumers, including safety, cost saving, government regulations, and new products.

News 4 January 17 – Prince William County board of supervisors approved a three billion dollar riverfront development on the Cherry Hill Peninsula. This development will feature 25 hundred homes and 3.7 million square feet of non-residential space.

News 4 January 19 – A Rockville bases website, visualwow.com, allows photographers to post proofs and let customers order their finished prints online.

News 4 January 22 – The stadium store in Wheaton Maryland, has gone out of business.

News 4 January 22 – Time to think of taxes 2000. The IRS hotline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

News 4 January 22 – Playschool is recalling more than 12 thousand of it's "busy school bus" toys, as a result of a yellow awning piece above the bus's door that break loose and pose a choking threat.

News 4 January 22 – Zairmail, a marriage between email and the postal service. One sends email through a service, it gets printed out and delivered thought the postal service.

News 4 January 22 – Converse, athletic apparel and sneaker maker, filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection today. It plans to close its three North American factories and shift to production to Asia.

News 4 January 23 – The commercials in this year's Superbowl will feature ads that are cheaper, as well as fewer dot-coms.

News 4 January 23 – Fairfax County is a step closer to having a choice with cable providers. Consumers may get service from Starpower within a year, first competition for Cox providers.

News 4 January 23 – Today's digital edge is a combination of some special glasses that plug into your computer and a wireless service that puts your palm or handspring on the web.

News 4 January 23 – JC Penney is shutting down about 50 of its stores, including an undisclosed number of Eckerd drugstores. This is the store's second major round of store closing in the last two years.

News 4 January 23 – Loews, the movie house giant, will be turning off the lights at about 675 theaters, nearly a quarter of its screens. Most of the theaters closing are 15 to 20 years old.

News 4 January 23 – America On line has laid off about 300 of its employees. The merger with Time Warner caused some of the current jobs to be superfluous. CNN, who also merged with Time Warner, has announced that it is laying off 400 people.

News 4 February 7 – report on odd items for sale on Ebay

News 4 February 9 – news coverage of new type of all-inclusive supermarket; hand-held computers projectors; AB Dolly

News 4 February 12, 20 – Three 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Judges remanded the Napster case back to a district court judge with instructions to re-write her opinion in a way that can be interpreted as a defeat to Napster.

News 4 February 13 – Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan says the US is not in a recession

News 4 February 13 – report on tire pressure

News 4 February 14 – chocolate quiz

News 4 February 15 – where to donate things that you are ready to toss

News 4 February 16 – safe food quiz

News 4 February 19, 21 – how to buy a pet online; saving time and money tips

News 4 February 20 – kitchen tricks of the trade

News 4 February 21- six hundred Maryland residents two identical tax refund checks

News 4 February 21 - car tricks of the trade

News 4 February 23 – tricks of the trade around the house

News 4 February 26 - report on connection between race and Internet usage

News 4 February 26, 27, 28 – debt solutions

News 4 February 28 – debt counseling

News 4 March 1 – ways to have fun without spending too much

News 4 March 1 – report on new laptop version

News 4 March 20 – report on Federal Reserve interest rate cut

VI. ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments on regional environmental issues. Some examples are listed below.

News 4 January 2 – PG County police have arrested two men in the killing of a truck driver 5 years ago.

News 4 January 8 – Washington Wizards guard Rod Strickland was arrested & charged with a DUI.

News 4 January 9 – A “Town Hall Meeting on Unsolved Murders” at a NW church was attended by more than 200 people

News 4 January 9 – settlement has been reached in Henrico County, VA, in the lawsuit involving the Confederate flag.

News 4 January 9 – a court of appeals today reduced a \$98 million judgement against DC to \$1 million in a Starbucks murders-related case.

News 4 January 10, 11, 12 – police in the District have made three arrests in connection with the murder of 14-year-old Jerod Jackson.

News 4 January 11 – Fairfax County police are searching for two men suspected of robbing and sexually assaulting a 69-year old woman.

News 4 January 11 – Wanda Jean Allen is scheduled to die tonight by lethal injection in OK; Governor Keating is considering a last-minute stay

News 4 January 11 – Texas prison officials said security lapses led to last month’s escape of seven inmates.

News 4 January 12 – A mother from Dale City, VA was arrested tonight on charges that she ran a drug operation out of her home.

News 4 January 16 – A devastating earthquake hit off the coast of El Salvador on Saturday. The number of confirmed deaths exceed 600.

News 4 January 16 – The district’s fire chief and the Algerian ambassador talked about the blaze that destroyed the embassy of Algerian a week before. The fire hydrant in front of the embassy was removed for inspection.

News 4 January 17 – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has recovered an unfused mortar shell from the 48-hundred block of Glenbrook Road, Northwest.

News 4 January 17 – The power crisis in California has left hundreds of thousands of people without power, when the state started rolling blackouts today.

News 4 January 22 – Wildlife experts are working hard to contain an oil spill of 150 thousand gallons in the Galapagos Islands.

News 4 January 22 – The mudslide that killed more than 700 people, also claimed the life of a musician connected to this area. Sergio Moreno, the last person to be found alive in the ruins, died two days after he was found due to his injuries.

News 4 January 22 – The massive oil spill in the Galapagos Islands, threatens several species, including sea lions and birds.

News 4 January 23 – Today the winds and tide are pushing the 170 thousand-gallon oil spill towards an open zone, where there are no major islands

News 4 February 12 – a published report indicated the VA-MD-PA effort to protect the Chesapeake will be costly.

News 4 February 13- El Salvador was shaken today by another deadly earthquake.

News 4 February 14 – two astronauts made the landmark 100th space walk today for the US Space Program.

News 4 February 15, 21 – the EPA is urging the Army to step up investigation into possible arsenic contamination in NW

News 4 February 28 - birds in California ate fermented fruit planted by the state 20 years ago and got too drunk to fly.

News 4 February – report on snow trouble in Northern VA and Maryland

News 4 February 28 – news coverage of Seattle earthquake

News 4 March 13 –

VII. EDUCATION

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments about and pertaining to educational issues. Some examples are listed below

News 4 January 17 – 14 graduating students are getting scholarships from a prominent college in Southern Maryland.

News 4 January 19 – The Franklin Schools in Rockville held an Itsy Bitsy Inaugural.

News 4 January 23 – Trustees at the Francis and Ann Koenig Charitable Trust and the Koenig Private Foundation presented a one hundred thousand-dollar scholarship to Saint Mary's College. It will fund a 25-thousand dollar a year scholarship for former students of Bruce-Monroe Elementary school.

News 4 February 6 – the Agriculture Department is suggesting setting nutritional standards for the snacks that kids eat in school

News 4 February 6 – a meeting is scheduled tonight in PG County to discuss proposal to replace three high schools with military academies.

News 4 February 6 – VA Governor Gilmore is concerned about bills approved that would allow schools to consider more than SOL tests when deciding who will graduate.

News 4 February 12- report on Montgomery County school principal who raised African American algebra's achievement rate.

News 4 February 13 – the Fairfax County School Board voted against banning the book “Druids” from county school libraries after a parent asked the board to remove the book.

News 4 February 14,15 – a controversial bill requiring public school students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance may be dead.

News 4 February 14 – a coach and teacher at a Utah was forced to resign for bumping up the grades of students who agreed to give her drugs.

News 4 February 15 – report on Quia.com, a site that has a lot of features for students, but even more for teachers to create classroom content and share what's working.

News 4 February 15 – new Georgetown University President John DeGioia is not a member of the clergy, unlike every other president in the school's 212-year history.

News 4 February 27 – report on Maryland kindergarten readiness

News 4 February 28 – In Fairfax County, the director of guidance at Lake Braddock Secondary School is under investigation on charges of changing the files on some students.

News 4 March 13 – NASA is calling today's space walk a success

VIII. TRANSPORTATION

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other on transportation issues. Some examples are listed below.

News 4 January 16 – A bill that would allow officers to stop and ticket motorists who are not wearing seatbelts in Virginia has been sent to the House Militia and Police Committee, one of the most conservative panels in the assembly.

News 4 January 16 – Police in Montgomery County have released the identity of a man who was killed in an accident on Muncaster Mill Road yesterday. A tow truck driver tried to make a sudden stop and lost control of the tow truck, and slammed into the car, killing the driver.

News 4 January 16 – British airways is making new efforts to try to get the concorde jets back in the air.

News 4 January 17 – An accident involving a tractor-trailer and an Amtrack train is under investigation. While trying to make a u-turn, the truck sideswiped and got stuck, and the train clipped the front end. No one was injured.

News 4 January 17 – HOV restrictions will be lifted during rush hour on I-66. Transit systems are changing routes in preparation for the inaugural events.

News 4 January 17 – Metro will run free shuttle buses from the Lincoln Memorial to various shuttle stops.

News 4 January 17 – Virginia railway express plans to add extra cars on earlier trains and will double the number of jump-start buses.

News 4 January 17 – Extra cars will be added to Marc trains on the Penn and Brunswick lines

News 4 January 17 – OMNI ride is telling commuters to pick up a free Memorial Emergency transfer in the morning to be used for their afternoon trip.

News 4 January 18 – Today was the first time in six months, since the last Concorde crashed, killing 113 people, that another Concorde took off. The Concorde took off from an airport in Paris.

News 4 January 18 – Metro will run extra hours during the next couple of days because of inaugural activities.

News 4 January 22 – A study by the U.S. Transportation Department finds that drivers get distracted by the overload of high tech devices in cars.

News 4 January 22 – According to the Virginia Department of Transportation, 174 teenagers died in car accidents in the year 2000, up from 119 in 1999. There is tremendous support for a law that would restrict drivers licenses for teenagers.

News 4 January 23 – Authorities are searching for an experimental aircraft that took off Monday afternoon from an airport in New Jersey, scheduled to arrive in Point Pleasant, West Virginia last night.

News 4 February 6 – nation's four largest airlines face possible strikes in the coming months; report on parking restrictions around the District

News 4 February 12 – new report on how well the airlines treat passengers finds they still fail to address the biggest complaints: delayed/canceled flights and lost baggage.

News 4 February 12 – Russian space station Mir will be set on fire and destroyed next month.

News 4 February 13- Army is investigating deadly crash involving two of its Black Hawk helicopters.

News 4 February 14- police are investigating a fatal school bus accident in Montgomery County this morning.

News 4 February 15- news coverage of country-wide flight delays.

News 4 February 19 – report on unintended effects of red light cameras.

News 4 February 20 – AAA study shows people's opinion of cell phone use behind the wheel are changing.

News 4 February 21 – new evidence shows that the crew of a Navy sub was aware of a Japanese fishing boat over an hour before colliding with it.

News 4 February 22- there was another 20-vehicle pile-up along I-64.

News 4 February 22 – news coverage of massive I-95 pile-up due to snow storm

News 4 February 23- news coverage of engine fire at BWI today.

News 4 February 26 – a 100 foot charter vessel crashed into a small craft 10 miles off the coast of Marco Island.

News 4 February 28 – news coverage of Britain train crash.

News 4 March 20 – a panel overseeing the future of Amtrak is calling for significant reforms.

News 4 March 20 – emergency officials in VA met today to talk about the 124-car pile-up on I-95 last month.